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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Thomas A. Taylor

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Examiner: Philippe S. Derakshani

For: Actuation Assistance Apparatus  
and Method

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**AMENDMENT A**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. No new matter is introduced by these amendments.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.

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